GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3382
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2001
CONSTRUCTION OF NEW JAIL IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the overcrowding of Tihar Jail, the Government propose to construct a new Jail in Delhi;

(b) if so, the existing capacity of Tihar Jail and the number of prisoners lodged as against this capacity; and

(c) the time by which the construction of new jail is likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The actual number of prisoners lodged in Delhi Jails as on 11.3.2001 was 10,544 as against the sanctioned capacity of 3637 prisoners.

(c): Three more Jails are being constructed within the Central Jail, Tihar complex while one District Jail is under construction at Rohini. These jails are scheduled to be completed by the end of the year 2001.